# FALCON FLYER

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Dear Floral Families,

One of our shared goals as a faculty at Floral Street School is to promote the learning and growth of all students through establishing effective partnerships with parents and caregivers. This coming week, classroom teachers and principals look forward to welcoming all of you to your child's school and classroom for our annual **Curriculum Nights**. This event provides a valuable opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher and learn about the curriculum, classroom routines, and common language, expectations, and experiences that will become the fabric of your child's learning at school this year. We strongly urge you to attend your child's Curriculum Night next week to get a sense of what learning looks like and sounds like every day at school.

Curriculum Night also offers principals an opportunity to welcome you to school and provide a brief overview of the school-wide tools, practices, and values that encompass the Floral learning community. Here's the schedule for this year's Curriculum Nights:

**Grade 4** - **Tuesday, September 29**: Presentation by principals in the cafeteria at 6:30pm followed with a presentation from your child's teacher in the classroom starting by 7:00.

**Grade 3 – Wednesday, September 30**: Presentation by principals in the cafeteria at 6:30pm followed with a presentation by your child's teacher in the classroom starting by 7:00.

**Grade 2 – Thursday, October 1**: Presentation by principals in the cafeteria at 6:30pm followed with a presentation by your child's teacher in the classroom starting by 7:00.

**Grade 1** - **Thursday, October 1**: Presentation by your child's teacher in the classroom starting at 6:30 followed with a presentation by principals in the cafeteria at 7:15.

Curriculum Nights will end by 7:45 each night and are intended only for parents and caregivers. Please make every effort to arrange childcare for students and younger siblings.

We look forward to seeing you all next week!

~Lisa & Tiffany

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From the PTO - Fall Staff Appreciation Breakfast

The Floral PTO is hosting a Fall Staff Appreciation Breakfast on Thursday, October 15th in the Floral media center. We need help to make this event a success and show the staff how much we appreciate them! Please sign up for one or more items at the link below. Contact Nancy Nelson at <a href="mailto:nleenelson\_99@yahoo.com">nleenelson\_99@yahoo.com</a> with any questions. Thank you for your help!

## **Fall Staff Appreciation Breakfast**

#### **Important Arrival & Dismissal Reminders**

**Tardy Arrivals:** If your child is going to be arriving at school after 9:00 a.m. please call the office and let the secretaries know. Additionally, you must walk in with your child and sign them in at the main office if they arrive after 9:00. (Note: If the parent drop-of line is closed, you will need to pull up to the front door and sign in your child at the office.)

**Early Dismissal:** Please be aware of the procedure for early dismissal for students. The instructional day ends at 3:10, and students are expected to be present until that time. However, there are occasions when a child may need to be picked up a bit early, such as for medical and dental appointments. In those instances, please dismiss your child prior to 2:55. The main office is very busy with buses arriving after that time and we are unable to accommodate dismissals from the office after 3:00. For pick-ups after 2:55, parents are expected to use the parent pick-up line which runs from 3:10-3:30. Thank you for your cooperation with this procedure and in keeping all our students safe.

#### **School Picture Orders**

School picture orders will be sent home in students' backpacks tomorrow, Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Orders are due to the FSS office by Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Picture re-takes will take place on Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Practice Forum for Non-Native English Speakers

The Shrewsbury Public Library offers a program called English Conversation Circles. There are four sessions, four days a week, for English language learners to practice English in an informal environment, both at the beginner and intermediate level. Currently these sessions are held from 5-6 pm, four evenings per week. The classes are free and interested persons can attend one or more sessions. Registration is required. Please register by calling Priya at 508-841-8531 or send an email to <a href="mailto:prathnam@cwmars.org">prathnam@cwmars.org</a> with your name, telephone number, and email address.

#### Kindergarten 2016-2017

If you have a child that will be eligible to attend kindergarten in the fall of 2016 (must be 5 years old by August 31, 2016), please send an email to Diane Abbott, our Registrar with your child's information so she can check that your child is on the incoming kindergarten database. Her email address is dabbott@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us

Information required:

Student First Name

Student Last Name

Date of Birth

Gender

Address

Phone Number

Parent's Name

Parent's Email Address

Name of preschool child is attending (if applicable)

For more information, please visit our website:

http://schools.shrewsburyma.gov

#### **Notes from Previous Falcon Flyers:**

The Elementary Lunch Menu and Directions for purchasing pre-paid lunch tickets can be found at any time at:

http://schools.shrewsbury-ma.gov/foodsvc/elementarylunchmenu.cfm

## **Important Upcoming Dates:**

\*New dates added this week appear in bold print

September 29 Grade 4 Curriculum Night (6:30 – 7:45) September 30 Grade 3 Curriculum Night (6:30 – 7:45)

October 1 Grade 1 & Grade 2 Curriculum Night (6:30 – 7:45)

October 2 Grades 3 & 4 School Meeting

October 9 Professional Development Day for Staff / NO SCHOOL

for Students

October 12 Columbus Day / NO SCHOOL
October 16 Grades 1 & 2 School Meeting
October 21 School Picture Re-Take Day

## **Most Frequently Used Numbers:**

Office (508) 841-8720 Nurses, Phone (508) 841-8729 Nurses, FAX (508) 841-1545 Extended Day (508) 841-8743

The full district school calendar is available on the district homepage at: <a href="http://schools.shrewsbury-ma.gov/">http://schools.shrewsbury-ma.gov/</a>